

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

The sealing system 10 can further comprise a bonnet member 22 housed within the valve body 16. The bonnet member 22 has an interior surface 24 and an exterior surface 26. The sealing system 10 can further comprise standard components such as ~~a vent device 28, a drain device 30,~~ stud nuts and bolts 32, bonnet gasket 34, seat ring 36, **plug thrust bearing** 38, and other suitable standard components.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 18 with the following amended paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 2, the present metal seal and sealing system 10 can further comprise a cap screw 102, a thrust bearing 104, a stem bearing ~~108~~ **106**, and optional additional springs, spacers, plugs, covers or other standard component parts (not shown).